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NOTE VERBALE DATED 3 AUGUST 1993 FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

The Secretary-General of the United Nations presents his compliments to the President of the Security Council and, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 816 (1993) of 31 March 1993, has the honour to bring to his attention further information received by the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) regarding apparent violations of the ban on flights in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Between 29 July and 1 August 1993, there appear to have been 16 flights of fixed- or rotary-wing aircraft in the airspace of Bosnia and Herzegovina other than those exempted in accordance with paragraph 1 of resolution 816 (1993) or approved by UNPROFOR in accordance with paragraph 2 of that resolution. Details as to the itinerary of flights in this reporting period are attached hereto as an annex.

The total number of flights assessed as apparent violations is now 748.

Annex

INFORMATION ON FLIGHTS IN THE AIRSPACE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA NOT AUTHORIZED BY THE UNITED NATIONS PROTECTION FORCE

(29 July-1 August 1993)

Serial number	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
755	29 July	1355	1403	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white and blue helicopter, possibly an MI-8, heading west in the area of Zenica. The helicopter landed 2 kilometres south of Zenica. A white truck pulled up to the helicopter. It is not known whether any material was loaded or unloaded. Shortly afterwards, the helicopter took off again heading south. AWACS issued warnings which were ignored. The helicopter soon landed at Zenica Army Barracks. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	West Very slow Very low
756	29 July	1450	1451	United Nations military observers observed an MI-8 helicopter with red-cross markings circling at Pale. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	Varied Very slow Very low
757	29 July	1550	1604	AWACS and NATO fighters made radar contact with an aircraft flying 40 kilometres south of Sarajevo. A few minutes later, the fighters made visual contact with a white and light grey helicopter, probably an MI-8, with blue markings. AWACS issued warnings. The helicopter ignored the warnings and landed 35 kilometres south of Sarajevo. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	South-east Slow 5,000 ft
758	30 July	1440	1450	United Nations military observers observed a white and blue MI-8 helicopter with a red cross 5 kilometres south-west of Zenica. The helicopter flew north for a few kilometres, made three different approaches and landed 2 kilometres south-west of Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North Slow Low
759	30 July	1445	1447	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a grey MI-8 helicopter, heading west, 42 kilometres south-east of Sarajevo. The helicopter ignored numerous warnings from the fighters and landed 37 kilometres south of Sarajevo. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	West Slow Low
760	30 July	1450	1512	The EC military monitor team observed a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes and a red cross landing 1 kilometre south of Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina	North Unknown Unknown

Serial number	Date	Start	End	Remarks	Heading, speed, altitude
761	30 July	1730	1812	NATO fighters observed a green MI-8 helicopter 44 kilometres south of Sarajevo preparing for take-off. The fighters issued warnings and the helicopter shut down. A few minutes later, the helicopter took off and headed north. The fighters maintained radar and visual contact while issuing warnings. The helicopter returned to the launch site and landed. The flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	Varied Slow Low
762	30 July	1757	1805	NATO fighters made radar contact with a helicopter heading south 32 kilometres south of Sarajevo. Contact was lost shortly afterwards. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	South Slow Unknown
763	31 July	0745	0747	United Nations military observers observed a green MI-8 helicopter, registration 12365, with red-cross markings, landing at Banja Luka. This flight originated as an UNPROFOR approved Casualty Evacuation (CASEVAC). However, there were no casualties on board when it landed. The helicopter was scheduled to fly to Zaluzani airfield, 6 kilometres north of Banja Luka, to refuel and then return to Doboj. It flew instead to an unknown destination. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	North Slow Low
764	31 July	0906	0910	United Nations military observers observed an MI-8 helicopter, registration 12244, landing at Banja Luka. The helicopter came from an unknown location and was equipped with empty weapons pylons. Shortly after landing, it took off for an unknown location. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	East Fast Low
765	31 July	1144	1150	NATO fighters made radar and visual contract with a white MI-8 helicopter 13 kilometres south-east of Zenica. The helicopter flew north-west and landed at Zenica next to another white helicopter. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North-west Unknown Unknown
766	1 Aug	0938	1001	NATO fighters made visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes 12 kilometres south-west of Tuzla. Warnings issued by the fighters were ignored. The helicopter headed south-west and landed at Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-west Slow Low
767	1 Aug	1030	1040	NATO fighters made visual contact with a grey MI-8 helicopter taking off 21 kilometres south of Sarajevo. The helicopter headed south and landed 25 kilometres south of Sarajevo. Moments later, it took off again and returned to its original position. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Bosnian Serbs.	South Slow Low

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768	1 Aug	1110	1115	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter with blue stripes 17 kilometres south-west of Tuzla. The helicopter headed south-west and landed at Zenica. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South-west Slow Low
769	1 Aug	1145	1150	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter heading north-east towards Tuzla. Contact was lost due to weather conditions. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	North-east Slow Low
770	1 Aug	1157	1220	NATO fighters made radar and visual contact with a white MI-8 helicopter landing at a stadium in Tuzla. Minutes later, it took off and landed 3 kilometres south of Tuzla. This flight occurred in an area controlled by the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina.	South Slow Low